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PART 1

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IN THE PEACEFUL TOWN OF HEATHERFIELD THE WIND SOFTLY BLOWS AWAY SUMMER.
THE BIRDS PREPARE TO MOVE SOUTH.
THE SHEFFIELD INSTITUTE WAKES UP FROM ITS LONG SUMMER SLEEP. WITH CARE THEY PREPARE FOR THE NEW YEAR...
...AS CAN BE HEARD!
AHIA!

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FZZZ
OW! I GOT SHOCKED.
COME DOWN, GIDEON. I TOLD YOU TO CALL AN ELECTRICIAN.
DON'T WORRY, MRS KNICKERBOCKER. I'VE GOT IT UNDER CONTROL!
I'D LOVE TO SEE HOW THOSE SMALL HULIGA... AHEM... STUDENTS CAN BREAK THIS.
THE BEGINNING OF A NEW TERM IS ELECTRIFYING!
NO KIDDING!

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FINALLY! I ALREADY THOUGHT YOU WEREN'T COMING BACK TO HEATHERFIELD.
HI, HAY LIN!
COME DOWN!
WE'VE MISSED YOU!
HURRY UP! NEW, EXCITING HOMEWORK AND TESTS ARE WAITING!
OUR FRIENDS, WHO WE ALREADY KNOW WELL, ARE PREPARING FOR THEIR FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL:
HAS SHE SPENT HER VACATION IN TOWN?
I THINK SO. THE RESTAURANT WAS OPEN THE WHOLE SUMMER.
UH... SOUNDS VERY REFRESHENING.
AND IT WAS! I BET I HAD LOADS MORE FUN THAN YOU HAD.
HELP!
BECAUSE I MET A GUY!

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WELL? DON'T YOU HAVE ANYTHING TO ASK?
DID YOU HEAR THE SAME AS I?
DID SHE REALLY SAY SHE MET A GUY?
WOW! AS SOON AS YOU TURN YOUR BACK...
WHAT'S HIS NAME?

...WHEN I WAS ROLLER-SKATING. I HAD JUST BEEN TO AN ICE CREAM STAND.
ALLRIGHT!
ARE YOU SURE YOU CAN MANAGE?
HAVE A BREAK
THAT DOESN'T SEEM TOO CONVINCING...

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AT LEAST IT LOOKS LIKE I'M WHOLE.
ARE YOU SURE? CAN I HELP SOMEHOW?
THANKS, BUT I'M PERFECTLY FINE.
WOW! WHAT A CUTE GUY!
GOOD. THAT COULD'VE ENDED UP BAD!
WOW! WHAT A CUTE GIRL!
LET ME HELP YOU UP.
ER... THANKS!
HEY! ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
THAT LOOKED REALLY WILD.
EVERYTHING'S FINE, THANKS.
SPLAT

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HAHAH! YOU'VE GOT TO BE KIDDING ME!
AND THEN?
AND THEN?
AND THEN...
SILVER DRAGON
"...WE MET AGAIN ALREADY ON THAT SAME EVENING."
ARE YOU STILL HERE? DON'T YOU KNOW WHAT HAPPENS THIS EVENING?
HMM... LET ME THINK.
RRR

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METEOR SHOWER! AND IF YOU SPOT A SHOOTING STAR, YOU GET TO WISH SOMETHING!
GREAT! I DO HAVE A BRAND NEW WISH! AH... OH NO!
DLIV DLIV DLIV
THUMP
NI JIN WUAN HAO MA?*
H-HI! I'M ALL RIGHT...
*HOW ARE YOU TONIGHT?
GREAT! THAT IS - WUO MEN CIU SU SHAO ZI XIN PA?*
*WOULD YOU LIKE TO GO SEE THE SHOOTING STARS?
WHO IS THAT?
PRIVATE
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FANG, THIS IS ERIC LYNDON.
NICE TO MEET YOU.
HELLO. WHO'S TAUGHT YOU TO SPEAK CHINESE?

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FANG!
MY VOCABULARY IS SMALL, THOUGH, AND MY ACCENT HORRIBLE.
A WISE MAN SAYS: "ACCENT DOESN'T MATTER, AS LONG AS YOU DON'T MAKE GRAMMATICAL ERRORS!"
IT'S COUNTED AS AN ERROR IF ONE DOESN'T RETURN HAY LIN IN TIME.
LET'S GO!
TAKE IT EASY, FANG! I'LL BE BACK IN TIME.
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A WISE MAN SAYS: "IF HAY LIN DOESN'T GO TO ERIC, ERIC COMES TO SILVER DRAGON!"
SHOOTING STARS... WISHES... YOU SURE YOU DIDN'T LEAVE OUT ANY DETAILS?
HAHAH! STOP IT, IRMA!
WE'RE ONLY FRIENDS! AND HE TOLD ME INTERESTING THINGS.

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FOR EXAMPLE, DID YOU KNOW THAT THE SKY ARCH IS DIVIDED IN 88 PARTS BY THE CONSTELLATIONS?
SENSITIVE...
...ISN'T IT?
"ERIC HAS RECENTLY MOVED HERE. WE WENT TO THE OBSERVATORY WHERE HE LIVES WITH HIS GRANDFATHER, PROFESSOR ZACHARIA LYNDON."
"HE TOLD ME ABOUT STARS AND PLACES WHERE HE'S BEEN WITH HIS PARENTS."
"HIS STORIES MADE ME ALMOST FORGET THAT THE WORLD IS A VICIOUS PLACE."
BUT SUFFERING HASN'T DISAPPEARED ANYWHERE! SOMEWHERE FAR AWAY...
...IS SOMEONE, WHO SUFFERS AS NERISSA'S PRISONER, WAITING IN VAIN FOR FRIENDS TO COME AND RESCUE HIM.

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HOW IS IT POSSIBLE THAT THE GUARDIANS OF KANDRAKAR HAVE LEFT CALEB IN TROUBLE? BEACHES, CHEERFUL MOOD, THE HEAT OF SUMMER...
SAGRA DELLA CARPA
LAGO DI
METROPOLITAN Museum
CAMPING
IS THAT HOW EASY FRIENDSHIP AND LOVE IS FORGOTTEN? TO GET AN ANSWER TO THIS QUESTION, WE HAVE TO GO BACK IN TIME.
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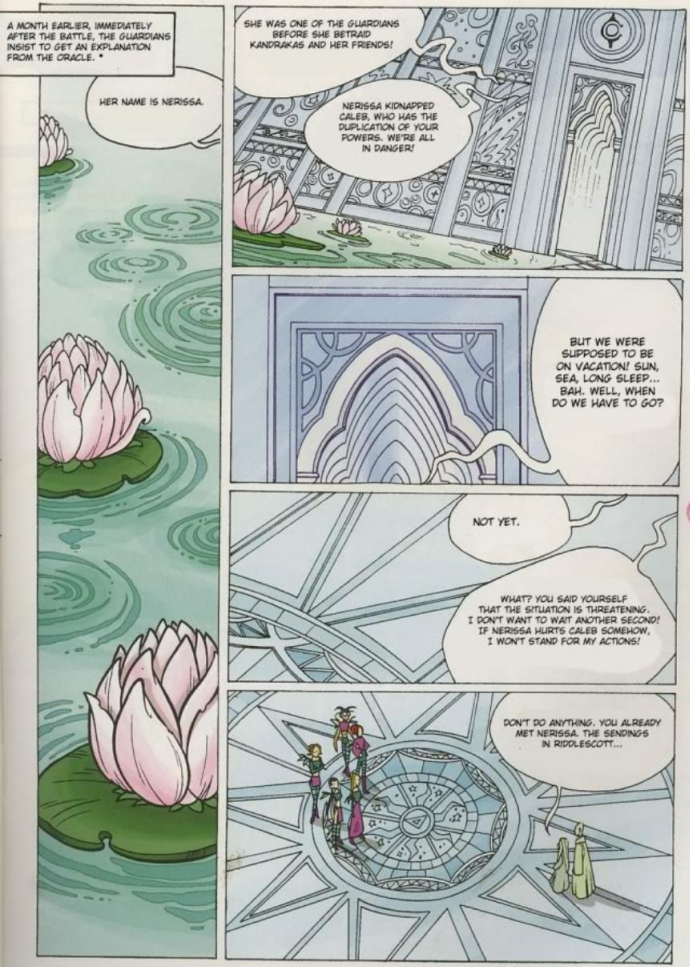
A MONTH EARLIER, IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE BATTLE, THE GUARDIANS INSIST TO GET AN EXPLANATION FROM THE ORACLE. *
HER NAME IS NERISSA.
SHE WAS ONE OF THE GUARDIANS BEFORE SHE BETRAID KANDRAKAS AND HER FRIENDS!
NERISSA KIDNAPPED CALEB, WHO HAS THE DUPLICATION OF YOUR POWERS. WE'RE ALL IN DANGER!
BUT WE WERE SUPPOSED TO BE ON VACATION! SUN, SEA, LONG SLEEP... BAH. WELL, WHEN DO WE HAVE TO GO?
NOT YET.
WHAT? YOU SAID YOURSELF THAT THE SITUATION IS THREATENING. I DON'T WANT TO WAIT ANOTHER SECOND! IF NERISSA HURTS CALEB SOMEHOW, I WON'T STAND FOR MY ACTIONS!
DON'T DO ANYTHING. YOU ALREADY MET NERISSA. THE SENDINGS IN RIDDLESCOTT...

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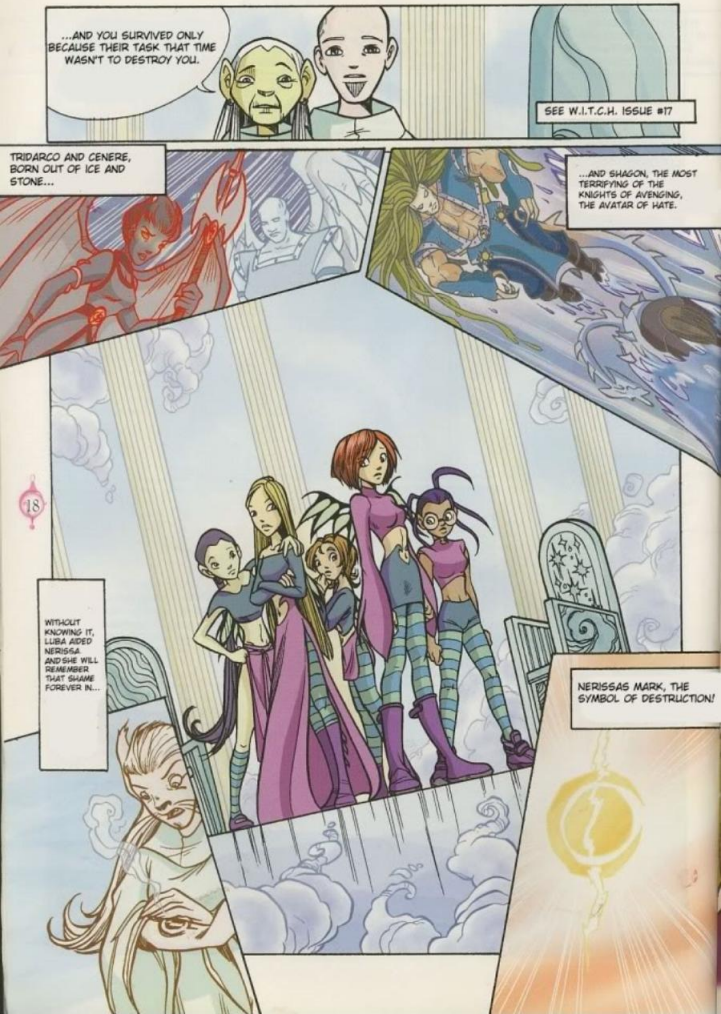
...AND YOU SURVIVED ONLY BECAUSE THEIR TASK THAT TIME WASN'T TO DESTROY YOU.
SEE W.I.T.C.H. ISSUE #17
TRIDARCO AND CENERE, BORN OUT OF ICE AND STONE...
...AND SHAGON, THE MOST TERRIFYING OF THE KNIGHTS OF AVENGING, THE AVATAR OF HATE.
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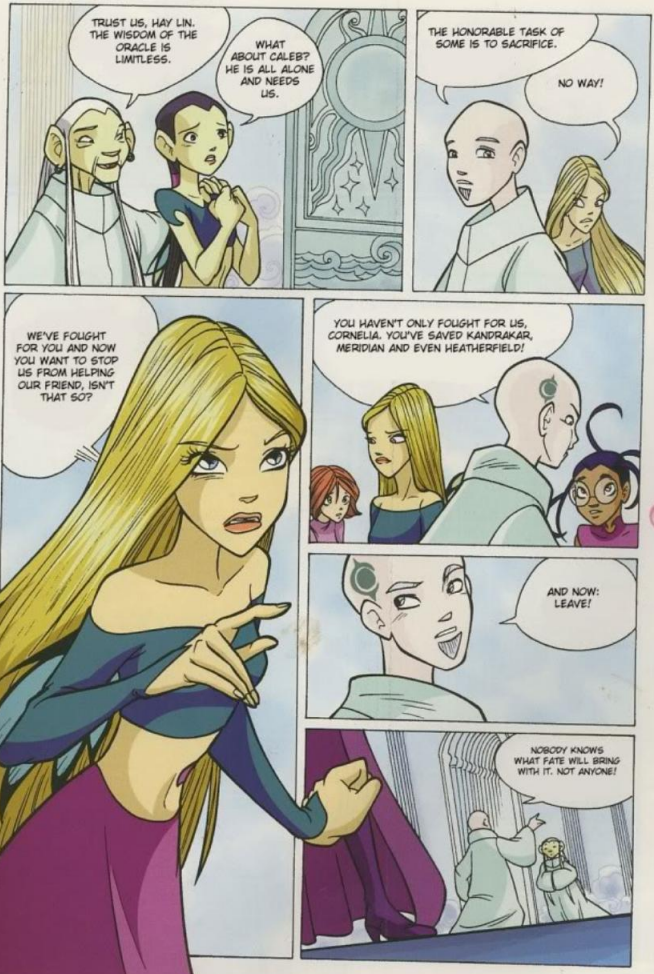
WITHOUT KNOWING IT, LUBA AIDED NERISSA AND SHE WILL REMEMBER THAT SHAME FOREVER IN...
NERISSAS MARK, THE SYMBOL OF DESTRUCTION!


TRUST US, HAY LIN. THE WISDOM OF THE ORACLE IS LIMITLESS.
WHAT ABOUT CALEB? HE IS ALL ALONE AND NEEDS US.
THE HONORABLE TASK OF SOME IS TO SACRIFICE.
NO WAY!
WE'VE FOUGHT FOR YOU AND NOW YOU WANT TO STOP US FROM HELPING OUR FRIEND, ISN'T THAT SO?
YOU HAVEN'T ONLY FOUGHT FOR US, CORNELIA. YOU'VE SAVED KANDRAKAR, MERIDIAN AND EVEN HEATHERFIELD!
AND NOW: LEAVE!
NOBODY KNOWS WHAT FATE WILL BRING WITH IT. NOT ANYONE!

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THE GUARDIANS WILL FORGET EVERYTHING? EVERY SINGLE MEMORY?
ONLY THE ONES THEY DON'T NEED, AND CALEB IS ONE OF THEM.
ORACLE!
THE CONVICT HAS ARRIVED. THE COUNCIL OF THE WISE IS WAITING FOR YOU.
LUBA...
LOOK AT THEM ALL, THE ONES THAT ARE NOW IN DANGER BECAUSE OF YOU!
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IN HER HUNGER FOR REVENGE, NERISSA WILL SOON STRIKE KANDRAKAR. THAT'S THE CONFRONTATION WE'RE TRYING TO AVOID WITH ALL COST...
WHAT DO YOU HAVE TO SAY TO YOUR DEFENCE?
FORGET IT, ORACLE! ENOUGH TALK!
THIS TIME WE HAVE TO GIVE A HARSH ENOUGH JUDGMENT. THE COUNCIL WAS TOO KIND TO NERISSA...
...AND HERE'S THE RESULT!
THAT'S RIGHT!
WHO'LL SAVE US THIS TIME?
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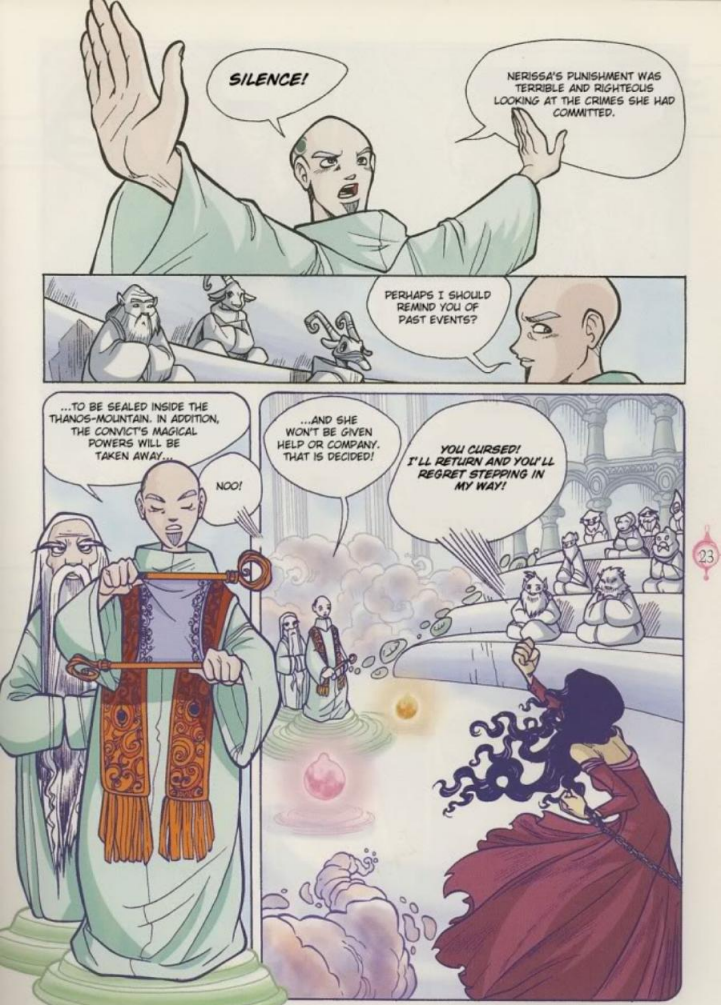
SILENCE!
NERISSA'S PUNISHMENT WAS TERRIBLE AND RIGHTEOUS LOOKING AT THE CRIMES SHE HAD COMMITTED.
PERHAPS I SHOULD REMIND YOU OF PAST EVENTS?
...TO BE SEALED INSIDE THE THANOS-MOUNTAIN. IN ADDITION, THE CONVICT'S MAGICAL POWERS WILL BE TAKEN AWAY...
NOO!
...AND SHE WON'T BE GIVEN HELP OR COMPANY. THAT IS DECIDED!
YOU CURSED! I'LL RETURN AND YOU'LL REGRET STEPPING IN MY WAY!

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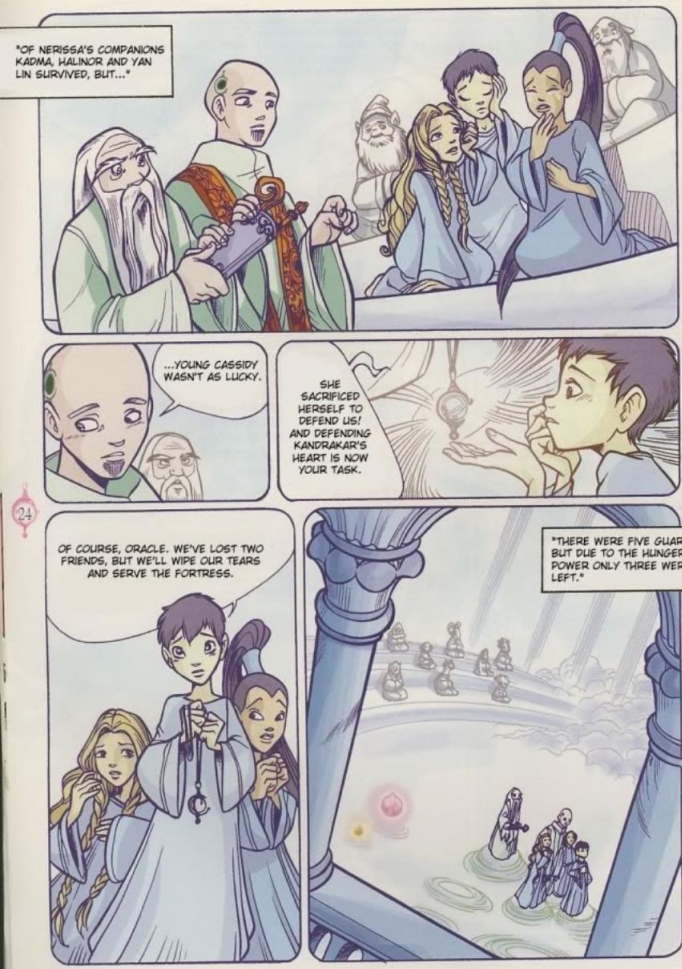
OF NERISSA'S COMPANIONS KADMA, HALINOR AND YAN LIN SURVIVED, BUT...
...YOUNG CASSIDY WASN'T AS LUCKY.
SHE SACRIFICED HERSELF TO DEFEND US! AND DEFENDING KANDRAKAR'S HEART IS NOW YOUR TASK.
OF COURSE, ORACLE. WE'VE LOST TWO FRIENDS, BUT WE'LL WIPE OUR TEARS AND SERVE THE FORTRESS.
THERE WERE FIVE GUARDIANS, BUT DUE TO THE HUNGER FOR POWER ONLY THREE WERE LEFT.

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WHO ARE YOU?
DON'T YOU RECOGNIZE ME, CALEB? I'M NERISSA!
I'VE RETURNED TO TAKE BACK WHAT BELONGS TO ME! HAH HAH HAA!
AND FOR STARTERS I'D LIKE TO HAVE THE POWERS THAT ARE IN YOUR POSSESSION.
YOU WON'T BE GETTING ANYTHING FROM ME.
IS THAT WHAT YOU THINK?
I DARE YOU TO TRY.

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I MUST ADMIT THAT MY SKILLS ARE STILL A BIT RUSTY.
BUT LETS SAY IT'S A BIT LIKE RIDING A BIKE.
ONCE YOU'VE ASSIMILATED EVILNESS, YOU'LL NEVER FORGET IT!
ARGH!
KRA-KRACK
I DIDN'T GIVE YOU PERMISSION TO LEAVE!

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I WANT TO INTRODUCE YOU TO MY FRIENDS FIRST.
BUT OH! HOW STUPID OF ME. YOU ALREADY MET IN RIDDLESCOTT, ISN'T THAT SO?
I'M TRAPPED!
Urrruuh!
Hnnggrr!
NO!
NOOOO!
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"STAY STRONG, CALEB! YOUR HELPERS AREN'T READY YET."
"IT CAN TAKE DAYS..."
"...MAYBE EVEN WEEKS..."

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WHOA!
DAMMIT... I CAN'T BELIEVE THIS.
THAT HAS TO BE THE MOTORBIKE GUY! *
LET'S AGREE THAT YOU'LL SIT IN FRONT OF ME IN CLASS, OKAY?
YOU'LL LIKE SHEFFIELD INSTITUTE FOR SURE.
*SEE ISSUE #17
GIRLS! THEY'RE ALL THE SAME!
WHO UNDERSTANDS THEM?
WILL! LOOK WHO'S COMING!
OOH!

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"MATT! FINALLY..."
"IF HE'S THOUGHT EVEN HALF AS MUCH ABOUT ME AS I OF HIM..."
MA-AATT! WHAT A SURPRISE!
STOP IT, IRMA!
UHM... HI, IRMA... WILL... AND WE HAVEN'T MET BEFORE.
HI! I'M ERIC LYNDON.
I... I...
YEAH, THAT'S RIGHT... ERIC'S COMING TO THE SAME CLASS AS WILL AND CORNELIA.

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WELL... HMM...
HELLO, BEAUTIES! WHY SUCH GLOOMY EXPRESSIONS?
SHUT UP, MARTIN!
DEPRESSION AFTER THE VACATION BOTHERING YOU, DARLING?
FORGET YOUR WORRIES, I'M HERE NOW!
OH, A NEWCOMER! HOPEFULLY YOU'VE BEEN RECEIVED IN A GOOD WAY.
NO COMP-LAINS...
OKAY! THAT'S IT!
IDIOT!
OW!
IRMA, MY CREAM PASTRY! WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
Institute

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WHAT GOT INTO HER?
COME, WILL! WE DON'T HAVE ANYTHING TO DO HERE ANYMORE.
SNIFF!
DID YOU SEE? BOHOO! DIDN'T EVEN GREET ME PROPERLY!
THERE MUST BE AN EXPLANATION FOR THAT.
DON'T MOURN, WILL.
BOYS,.. BAH!
DDDRRRRRIIIINNNNN
THE BELL IS RINGING. WE SHOULD GO INSIDE.
BE QUIET!
BANG
GANG GANG GANG
IF I EVER CATCH THE GUILTY...
END OF PART 1.

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PART 2

"THE ONE WHO'S AFRAID HAS ALREADY LOST."

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THOUSANDS OF KILOMETERS NORTH LIES A PLACE, WHERE THE ICE FREEZES EVERYTHING...
ALSO THE HEART THAT ONCE BEAT INSIDE THE CHEST OF THE GUARDIAN OF KANDRAKAR.
AAAARRRGGHHH...
AHUUUUUUU...
IF THE COUNCIL OF WISE THINK I'M GOING TO GIVE UP, THEY'RE HEAVILY MISTAKEN.
THEY CAN'T DO THIS TO ME!

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THAT REMINDS ME... WONDER HOW OUR GUEST IS FEELING? HOPEFULLY HE DOESN'T FEEL TOO BEATEN.
YOU COULD SHOW YOUR GRATITUDE SOMEHOW AS WE HAD SUCH A WARM WELCOME TO YOU, CALEB.
DON'T YOU REALLY HAVE ANYTHING TO SAY TO ME?
YES...
I'M THIRSTY.
DID YOU HEAR? THE POOR MAN WANTS SOMETHING TO DRINK!
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BETTER TAKE CARE OF IT IMMEDIATELY!

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POK
YOU CAN'T IGNORE THE LAST WISH OF A CONDEMNED!
JUST TRYING TO BE FRIENDLY. YOU GET WATER FROM THE ICICLE - DRINK AWAY!
DO YOU THINK YOU'RE BEING FUNNY?
THE SITUATION IS BEING FOLLOWED IN THE HALLS OF KANDRAKAR:
CAN WE AFFORD WAITING ANY LONGER?
WE'VE ALREADY SPOKEN ABOUT THIS, YAN LIN.

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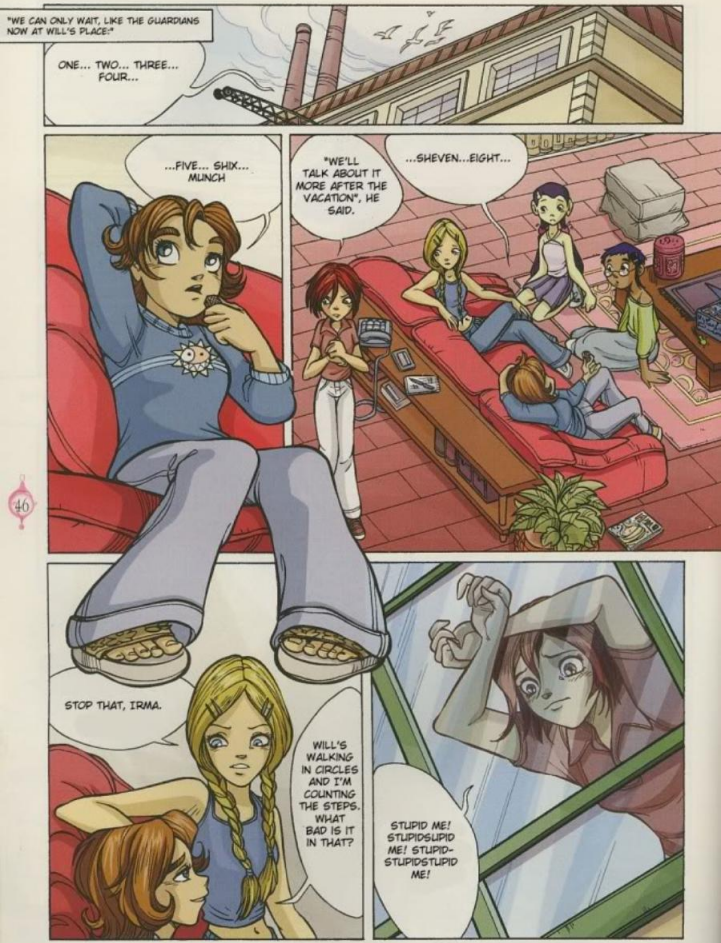
YOU KNOW VERY WELL WHAT MY DECISION IS.
BUT IT'S SIMPLY MADNESS!
ARE YOU QUESTIONING MY ABILITY OF JUDGING?
I APLOGIZE FOR MY RUDENESS, ORACLE.
THE CHOICE IS ALREADY MADE, YAN LIN.
"IT'S TOO LATE TO DISCUSS IS NOW!"
BUT I'M AFRAID HE'S NOT WORTH YOUR TRUST.


"WE CAN ONLY WAIT, LIKE THE GUARDIANS NOW AT WILL'S PLACE."
ONE... TWO... THREE... FOUR...
...FIVE... SHIX... MUNCH
"WE'LL TALK ABOUT IT MORE AFTER THE VACATION", HE SAID.
...SHEVEN...EIGHT...
STOP THAT, IRMA.
WILL'S WALKING IN CIRCLES AND I'M COUNTING THE STEPS. WHAT BAD IS IT IN THAT?
STUPID ME! STUPIDSTUPID ME! STUPID-STUPIDSTUPID ME!

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DON'T BE SO HARSH ON YOURSELF, WILL.
THAT'S RIGHT. VENT ON US INSTEAD.
YOU COULD FOR EXAMPLE HIT IRMA AROUND HER EARS. THAT'S WHAT I WOULD DO IF I WERE YOU!
HEY!
WHAT IF I WOULD MAKE US SOME TEA?
STOP IT!
SPECIAL MIX! THE KIND THAT MAKES IT EASIER TO DIGEST THE STUPIDNESS OF BOYS.
I HOPED SO HARD, THAT I AND MATT...
I'M SURE THAT HIS RUDE BEHAVIOR HAS A REASON. THIS ISN'T AT ALL NORMAL TO MATT.

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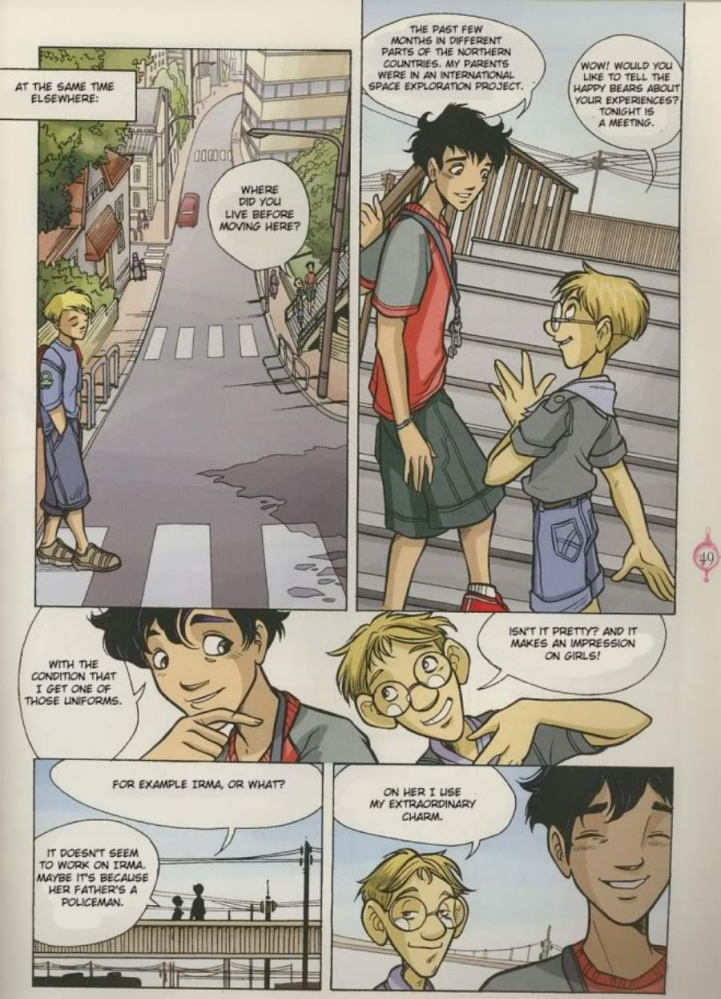
I HATE HIM!
THAT'S RIGHT! I HATE HIM!

TO THINK THAT I WAITED FOR THIS DAY...
...THE WHOLE SUMMER LONG!
Pookies
HOW DO YOU ENDURE ME?

WITH IRMA THERE'S ENDURING, YOU WE SIMPLY LIKE.
WHAT?
GOOD SAID, HAY LIN!

OKAY, WILL! ENOUGH WEEPING. WIPE YOUR TEARS!


AT THE SAME TIME ELSEWHERE:
WHERE DID YOU LIVE BEFORE MOVING HERE?
THE PAST FEW MONTHS IN DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE NORTHERN COUNTRIES. MY PARENTS WERE IN AN INTERNATIONAL SPACE EXPLORATION PROJECT.
WOW! WOULD YOU LIKE TO TELL THE HAPPY BEARS ABOUT YOUR EXPERIENCES? TONIGHT IS A MEETING.
WITH THE CONDITION THAT I GET ONE OF THOSE UNIFORMS.
ISN'T IT PRETTY? AND IT MAKES AN IMPRESSION ON GIRLS!
FOR EXAMPLE IRMA, OR WHAT?
IT DOESN'T SEEM TO WORK ON IRMA. MAYBE IT'S BECAUSE HER FATHER'S A POLICEMAN.
ON HER I USE MY EXTRAORDINARY CHARM.

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I COULD GIVE YOU SOME TIPS, IF YOU WANT.
YOU'RE NOT AFRAID OF COMPETITION?
NAH! YOU SEEM LIKE A GUY THAT CAN BE TRUSTED.
WILL YOU COME TO THE SUMMER END CAMP?
WHY NOT! WHEN IS IT?
THE DAY AFTER TOMORROW. AND IF IRMA DOESN'T PUNCH THEIR GUITARIST INTO HOSPITAL-SHAPE, COBALT BLUE WILL PLAY THERE!
IS IT YOUR FRIENDS BAND?
YES. THEY'RE GREAT! THEY EVEN PLAYED ONCE AS KARMILLA'S WARM-UP*. AND THE GUITARIST OF THE BAND IS MATT.
THERE'S SURELY SOMETHING BETWEEN HIM AND WILL..
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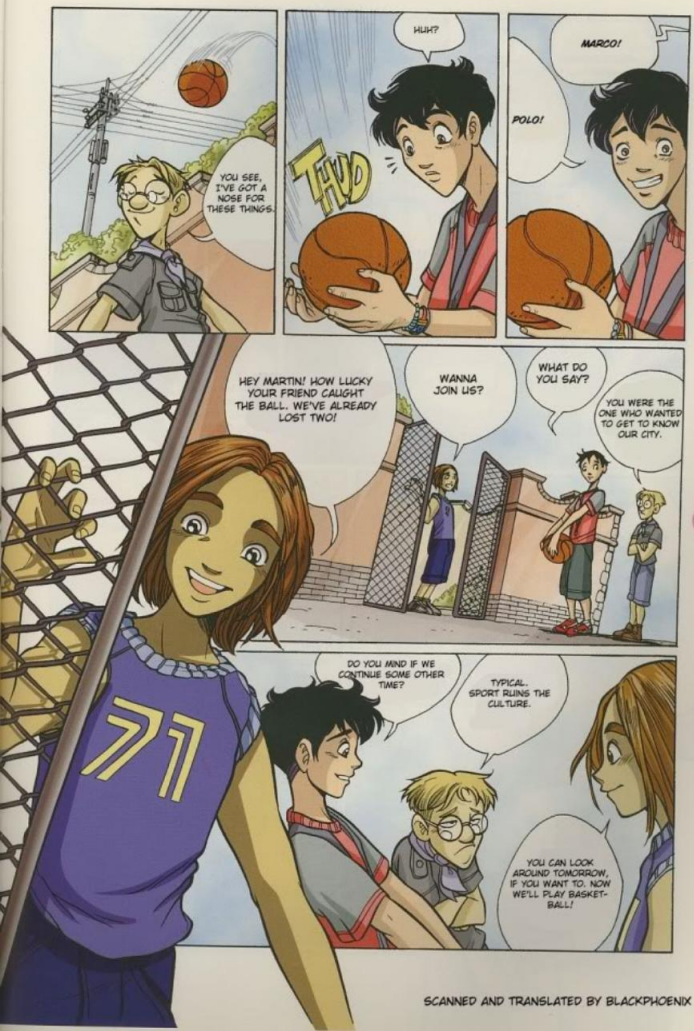
YOU SEE, I'VE GOT A NOSE FOR THESE THINGS.
HUH?
THUD
MARCO!
POLO!
HEY MARTIN! HOW LUCKY YOUR FRIEND CAUGHT THE BALL. WE'VE ALREADY LOST TWO!
WANNA JOIN US?
WHAT DO YOU SAY?
YOU WERE THE ONE WHO WANTED TO GET TO KNOW OUR CITY.
DO YOU MIND IF WE CONTINUE SOME OTHER TIME?
TYPICAL. SPORT RUINS THE CULTURE.
YOU CAN LOOK AROUND TOMORROW, IF YOU WANT TO. NOW WE'LL PLAY BASKET-BALL!

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DOWNSTAIRS IN THE OBSERVATORY IS A ROOM FILLED WITH ALL SORTS OF INSTRUMENTS. I HAD A HABIT OF EAVESDROPPING WHEN MY GRANDFATHER PRACTICED.
THEN ONE DAY HE SAID: "BECAUSE YOU LIKE INSTRUMENTS THAT MUCH, CHOOSE ONE AND TAME IT."
TICK-A-TACK-TACK
WHAT DO YOU MEAN WITH "TAME"?
YOU TEACH THE INSTRUMENT TO DO WHAT THE PLAYER WANTS BY PLAYING MUSIC THE PLAYER LIKES...
AND THEN?
TO BE CONTINUED! ARE YOU STAYING IN HEATHERFIELD FOR LONG?
I DON'T KNOW. BUT I GUESS WE'LL BE HERE FOR A WHILE.
BESIDES, I'VE ALREADY MET LOTS OF NICE PEOPLE.
DO YOU MEAN WILL?
WELL, WHY NOT HER TOO, BUT ACTUALLY I WAS THINKING OF SOMEONE ELSE...
WANT TO GO TO THE SILVER DRAGON TO EAT?
AHAA! WAY LIN!
BESIDES, I'VE UNDERSTOOD THAT WILL IS WEAK FOR GUITARISTS.
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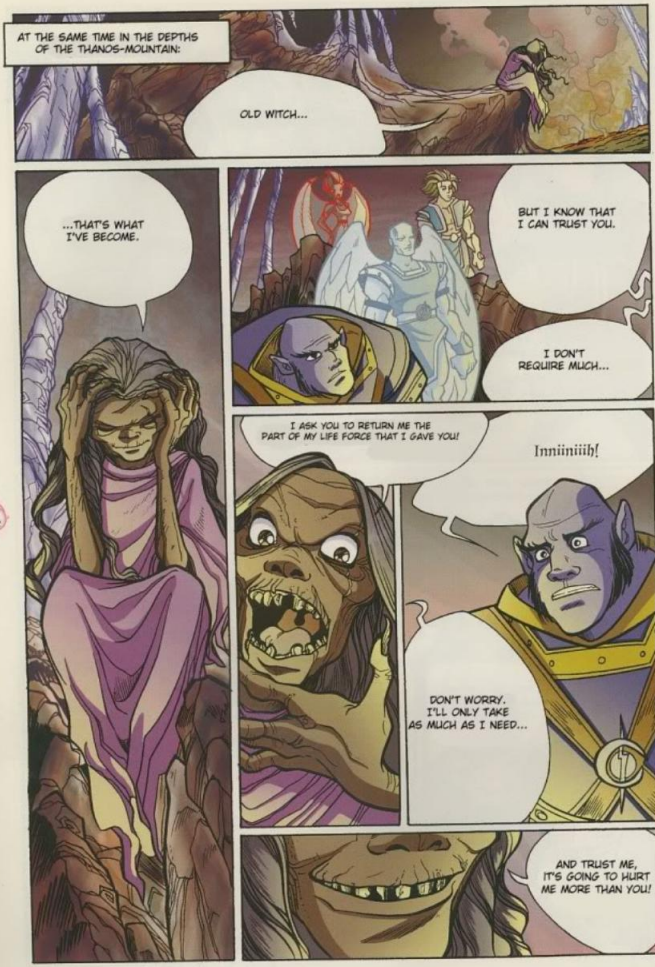
AT THE SAME TIME IN THE DEPTHS OF THE THANOS-MOUNTAIN:
OLD WITCH...
...THAT'S WHAT I'VE BECOME.
BUT I KNOW THAT I CAN TRUST YOU.
I DON'T REQUIRE MUCH...
I ASK YOU TO RETURN ME THE PART OF MY LIFE FORCE THAT I GAVE YOU!
Inniiniiih!
DON'T WORRY. I'LL ONLY TAKE AS MUCH AS I NEED...
AND TRUST ME, IT'S GOING TO HURT ME MORE THAN YOU!

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YOUR UNWILLINGNESS IS BEGINNING TO ANNOY ME, CALEB.
ARE YOU STILL GOING ON ABOUT THAT? YOU KNOW I'LL NEVER BETRAY KANDRAKAR OR MY FRIENDS!
IF THAT'S SO, I GUESS I'LL HAVE TO TAKE CONTROL...
...AND DEMAND THE GUARDIANS' POWERS TO MYSELF!
OOH!
BROOM

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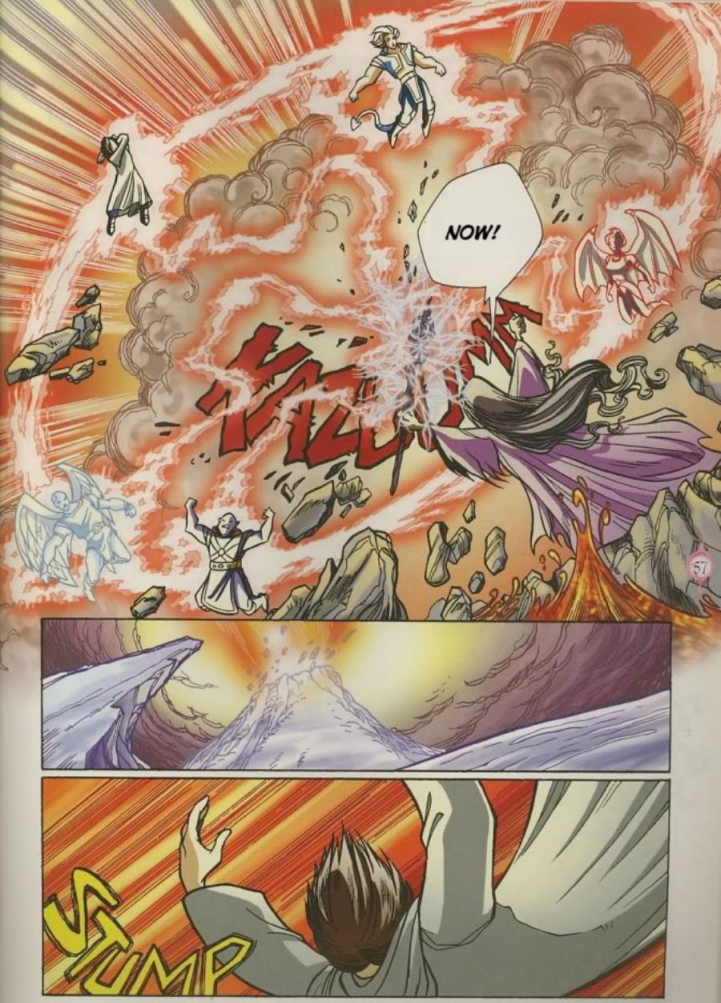

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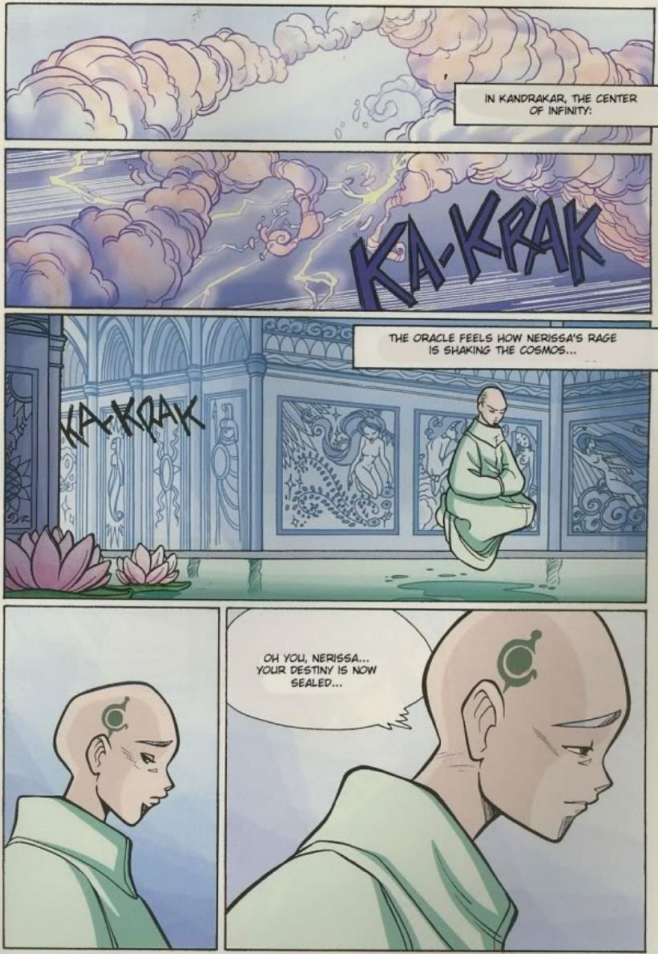
IN KANDRAKAR, THE CENTER OF INFINITY:
KA-KRAK
THE ORACLE FEELS HOW NERISSA'S RAGE IS SHAKING THE COSMOS...
KA-KRAK
OH YOU, NERISSA... YOUR DESTINY IS NOW SEALED...

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AT THE SAME TIME NERISSA IS PREPARING TO LEAVE HER SHELTER:
FINALLY!
WOOSH
I'VE HAD ENOUGH OF THIS STONY PRISON. LET IT VANISH FOR EVER!
KA-BRAM
JHAGON!

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WHAT DO YOU WISH FOR, MY LADY?
BRING ME THE PRISONER.
I DON'T WANT TO DRAG UNNECESSARY WEIGHT WITH ME.
CALEB HAS ESCAPED, OH NERISSA.
THAT DUMMY! WHERE DOES HE THINK HE'S GOING? OUTSIDE, THERE'S ONLY SNOW AND SEA...
"...AND FREEZING COLD AIR, THAT WILL GLADLY CLOSE HIM IN IT'S DEADLY GRASP!"

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B-BUT... WHAT HAPPENED?
CORNELIA! ARE YOU OKAY? I HEARD YOU SCREAM.
EH... NO WORRIES, MOM. I THINK I WAS DREAMING.
A NIGHTMARE...
YOU HAVEN'T WOKEN UP LIKE THAT IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT SINCE YOU WERE A BABY. WHAT KIND OF DREAM WAS IT?
THERE WAS SOMEONE WHO WAS SUFFERING, AND I FELT THE PRESENCE OF EVIL.. I DON'T REMEMBER ANYTHING ELSE.
TRY TO SLEEP SOME MORE. TOMORROW'S SCHOOL.
I'M SORRY TO HAVE WOKEN YOU UP. EVERYTHING'S FINE NOW.
WOOSHH

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I ALONE AM THE REASON FOR EVERYTHING YOU'VE HAD TO SUFFER FROM! HOW COULD I BE SO STUPID?
BELIEVE ME, CALEB! PROTECTING KANDRAKAR WAS THE ONLY THING I WAS TRYING TO ACCOMPLISH.
AND THE GUARDIANS?
I'LL NEVER FORGIVE MYSELF FOR PUTTING THEM IN DANGER!
HOW I WISH CORNELIA WOULD HEAR YOUR WORDS...
SHH, CALEB. REST NOW. SOON YOU'LL SEE YOUR DEAR CORNELIA AGAIN.

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"BUT THIS TIME SHE WON'T REMEMBER YOU."
"OR MAYBE SHE WILL..."
CALEB!
NERISSA!
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BUS STATION! DO YOU REMEMBER THE BUS STATION TOO?
TI-TICKETS! RIDDLESCOTT!
ORACLE! KANDRAKAR! WE'RE BEING SUMMONED!
I LEFT HIM IN TROUBLE! THAT CAN'T BE TRUE... I ABANDONED HIM!

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WHAT'S HAPPENED? WHY DIDN'T WE REMEMBER ANYTHING?
YOU OWE US AN EXPLANATION! WHERE'S CALEB?
CALM DOWN.
YOU'LL GET TO KNOW EVERYTHING WHEN THE TIME IS READY. AHEAD OF YOU LIES A MORE IMPORTANT MISSION.
NO! YOU DON'T TREAT US LIKE THIS. ANSWER TO YOUR QUESTIONS - NOW!
NO, WILL. CALEB IS IN DANGER AND NEEDS YOU NOW. GO TO HIM!
GO AHEAD, NERISSA. WE'RE NOT AFRAID OF YOU!
PITY. IF I WERE YOU I'D BE SCARED!
THE ONE WHO'S AFRAID HAS ALREADY LOST, NERISSA...
SHAZAM
...AND WE'RE NOT AFRAID EITHER!
ATTACK, GIRLS!
KRAMM

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THE HEART OF KANDRAKAR! GIVE IT TO ME AND I'LL SPARE YOUR FRIENDS.
NOT GONNA HAPPEN, NERISSA!
SO FIGHT THEN...
...AND LOOK AT YOUR DESTINY EYE TO EYE!
KRRRZZZK
SHE'S VERY STRONG! I DON'T KNOW HOW LONG I CAN RESIST.
LEAVE AND TAKE CALEB TO SAFETY. I CAN HOLD HER FOR SOME TIME.
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WE CAN'T LEAVE YOU ALONE, LUBA.
DON'T WORRY. I'VE GOT A FEW ACES IN MY SLEEVE.
UH!
THIS IS A BATTLE FOR THE TWO OF US, NERISSA!

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IN KANDRAKAR:
LUBA...
YOU'VE PAID YOUR DEBTS AND ARE NOW FREE.
WE WON'T FORGET YOU!
THIS BATTLE REQUIRED SACRIFICES. YOUR MEMORIES WERE ONE OF THEM. WE DIDN'T WANT TO LOSE YOU TOO.
BY GIVING UP IMMORTALITY AND SAVING CALEB YOU CHANGED YOUR DESTINY.
DON'T BLAME YOURSELF, CORNELIA. KANDRAKAR'S POWER MADE YOU FORGET CALEB.
I THOUGHT MY LOVE WAS STRONGER THAN ANY SPELL.
IT'S TIME FOR YOU TO LEAVE NOW. CALEB STAYS HERE TO REST.
BUT WE BEG YOU ONCE AGAIN TO ANSWER OUR QUESTIONS, ORACLE.
PATIENCE, YOUNG GUARDIANS. THE TIME FOR ANSWERS ISN'T FAR AWAY.
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